

AQUARIUM SOCIETY MEETS JUNE 8

THE REGULAR monthly meeting of the San Francisco Aquarium Society will be held in the Steinhart Aquarium on Thursday, June 8, at 8:00 P.M. Refreshments will be served. All interested persons are invited to attend.

This will be the last meeting to be held this spring, meetings being suspended through July and August.



STUDENT MEETING ON JUNE 10

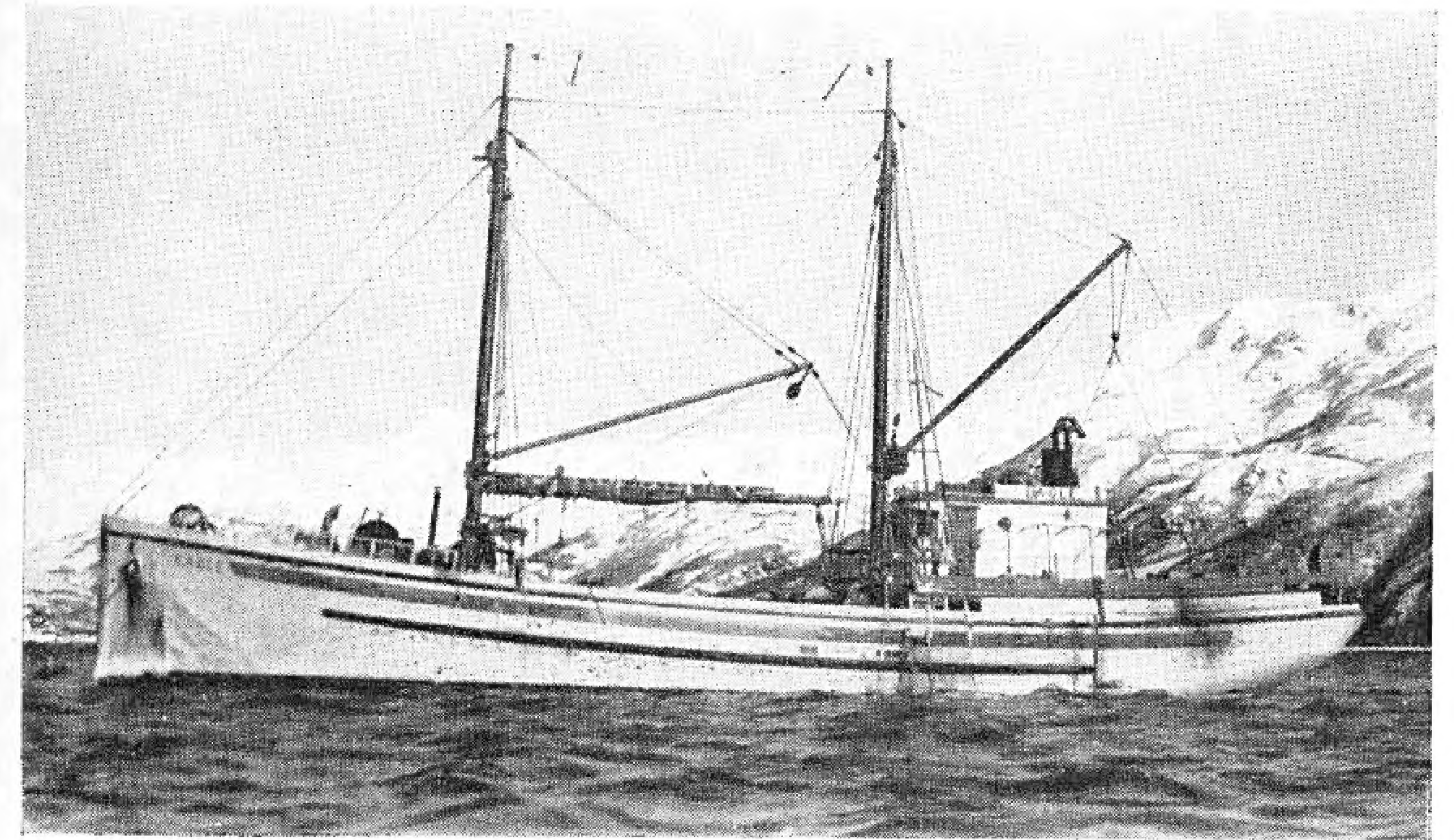
ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON, June 10, Student Members of the Academy will meet in Room 214, Simson African Hall, at 2:00 o'clock. Mr. Malcolm Jolly of the Museum of Vertebrate Zoölogy, University of California, will speak on "Experiences with Eagles." He will have with him a live Golden Eagle which he has raised as a pet.

Everyone interested is invited to attend.

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HALIBUT SCHOONER IN COLD BAY, ALASKA

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June Announcement

THE REGULAR JUNE MEETING of the California Academy of Sciences will be held in Room 214, Simson African Hall on Wednesday afternoon, June 7, 1944, at 3:30 o'clock. The speaker will be Dr. John Laurence Kask, Associate Curate of Fishes in the California Academy of Sciences, who will take as his subject:

AN INTERNATIONAL EXPERIMENT IN CONSERVATION

Many of our great marine fisheries are shared with other countries. Owing to heavy exploitation some of these fisheries have shown unmistakable signs of being seriously depleted. As fish, like birds and other animals, are no respecters of man-made boundaries, the problems of study and of conservation become of necessity international in character.

The halibut fishery on the Pacific Coast of North America is shared by the United States and Canada. The early heavy exploitation of this species reduced the stocks to the point where further fishing threatened to be unprofitable. Faced with the danger of the commercial extinction of a valuable food resource, the United States and Canada entered into an agreement to coöperatively investigate the biology of the halibut and to place the responsibility of conservation and regulation in the hands of an International Fisheries Commission.

The history of the Commission and the results of its investigations and regulations will be discussed by Dr. Kask, who served for ten years on the scientific staff of the Commission.

The public is cordially invited to hear Dr. Kask.



APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

NOTICE is hereby given to all Corporate Members that the Council at its meeting on May 18, 1944, approved the applications of Mr. Robert Crowder, Mr. Claude Hooke, Mr. Charles D. Hudson, Professor Austin F. Rogers, Dr. Noah Ronkin, and Miss Sidney Stein for MEMBERSHIP, and of Miss Arden F. Duncan and Mr. Robert Harry, Jr., for STUDENT MEMBERSHIP in the California Academy of Sciences. If no

objection to the election of these applicants be received at the office of the Academy within two weeks after June 1, they will be considered elected.



DEATH OF DR. ALEXANDER BREESE

WORD has been received of the death in Washington, D. C., on May 20, 1944, of Dr. Alexander Breese, a meteorologist in the employ of the United States Weather Bureau. Dr. Breese was a member of the California Academy of Sciences' Committee on Natural Illumination and during his residence in San Francisco prior to his assignment to Washington, he occupied a research room at the Academy and was extremely helpful in promoting studies of the measurement of daylight.



VALUABLE ENTOMOLOGICAL PUBLICATIONS ACQUIRED

OUTSTANDING among recent additions to the Academy's library are seventy volumes of publications of the Société Entomologique de France. These include: the "Bulletin," the "Annales," and supplementary publications, including two monographs and a centenary anniversary volume. The two monographs are the six-volume work by Louis Bedel entitled, "Faune des coléoptères du bassin de la Seine" and the four-volume work by Henry de Bonvouloir, "Monographie de la famille des Eucnémides," which is a supplement to volume 10 of the 4th series of the Annales.

The Annales of the Société Entomologique de France are valuable contributions to the entomological literature of the world, containing papers by entomologists of various nationalities. The addition of this large set to our library is something we have long been hoping to accomplish. This acquisition makes the Academy's set of these publications nearly complete from 1843-1940. We still lack the rare Series One of the Annales (containing the Bulletin), which consists of eleven volumes and covers the period 1832-1842, and the three indices which cover the period 1832-1890.

The most recent volumes of the Annales and Bulletin are missing from our set for obvious reasons, but we hope to be able to receive these issues when normal communications with France shall again be established.



STUDENTS HAVE FIELD TRIP IN MARIN COUNTY

ON SATURDAY, May 27, student members of the Academy enjoyed a field trip to Cascade Canyon on the south slope of Mt. Tamalpais, under the leadership of Mr. John Thomas Howell, the Academy's Assistant Curator of Botany.

Inasmuch as the field trips often come at times when it is impracticable to announce them in the News Letter, student members are individually notified of the arrangements.